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Louise K. Forman,  
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The Hall of Fame for Great Americans  
2 Washington Square Village  
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RE: CLARA BARTON

Dear Ms. Forman:

Thank you for your explanation concerning the 1976 balloting to the Hall of Fame of Clara Barton inasmuch as she received at least twenty votes in the last election - therefore, no nomination needed.

In accordance with your suggestion we wish to reiterate our support for this great lady because of her contributions to mankind among of which she was the founder of the American Red Cross (May 1, 1881 at her home in Dansville, New York) and thru her efforts it has become the Nation's largest humanitarian organization. During the Civil War years she not only administered to the soldiers at the Army hospitals but went into the battlefields to assist the Army surgeons. Further, beside her nursing duties she fed the soldiers after their engagements.

Again, the great humanitarian she was, she founded New Jersey's first free public school at Bordertown.

Needless to say CLARA BARTON is most deserving of the honor to be placed in The Hall of Fame for Great Americans.

Very truly yours,

*Eleanor Krohn*  
Eleanor Krohn, Dept. Secy.

